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Claim 36 depends on itself, in the
claims dated 5/20/2004. Please advise.

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RESPONSE

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35. (Original) The method of Claim 1 wherein the step of implementing includes floorplanning at least one module.
36. (Original) The method of Claim 36 wherein floorplanning the module includes placing any pseudo logic, and then placing module logic. 
37. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 35 wherein floorplanning necessitates ~~compriss~~ mapping, placing, and routing at least one module another at a time.
38. (Original) The method of Claim 1 wherein the step of implementing includes simulating each module.
39. (Original) The method of Claim 38 wherein simulating is performed using the top-level logic design as context.
40. (Original) The method of Claim 38 wherein simulating is performed independently from the top-level logic design.
41. (Original) The method of Claim 38 wherein simulating the module includes simulating dangling signals of the module.
42. (Original) The method of Claim 1 wherein the step of implementing includes publishing predetermined files for each module to a centralized directory.
43. (Original) The method of Claim 42 wherein the centralized directory is a physically implemented module (PIM) directory.
44. (Original) The method of Claim 19 wherein the step of implementing includes using the fifth file to generate a sixth file comprising user constraints associated with a module and the top-level design.

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